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Alumnus returns home

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. William C. Parson, an alumnus of the University of Tennessee at Martin, recently returned from a seven-month deployment to Iraq while assigned to Company “K”, 3rd Battalion, 23rd Marines, 4th Marine Division, based in Memphis, Tenn. Pearson is a 1994 graduate of UTM with a Bachelor of Science degree.

While in Iraq, Parson’s unit assisted in America’s ongoing effort to support local police, establish a government that is representative of the people, stabilize the economy and create the groundwork for democracy.

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For more information, visit the Marine Forces Reserve Web site at <http://mfr.usmc.mil/>

- Fleet Home Town News Center

Harwell to visit UTM

Tennessee Republican Party Chairman Beth Harwell will be here at UTM to give a talk on Wednesday, November 19 from 4:00-5:00pm in Watkins Auditorium in the University Center. Deputy Chairman Bob Davis and the State Representative from Gibson County, Chris Crider, will also be speaking at this event.

Chairman Harwell has held numerous public offices and currently serves as a Tennessee State House Representative for District 56. She is an assistant professor at Belmont University, and is a faculty member at the University of Tennessee Center for Government Training. Chairman Harwell has also been very active in community service and has received numerous honors, including the Nashville Firefighters Legislator of the Year.

Everyone is invited to attend the event and learn more about politics at the state level and beyond. The event is co-sponsored by the Weakley County Republican Party and the UTM College Republicans. Contact Christin Hayes at chrahaye@mars.utm.edu for more information.

- Christin Hayes, College Republicans

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Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
			
Few Showers	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
High 61 Low 36	High 51 Low 34	High 58 Low 38	High 58 Low 39

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SGA ends semester on positive note

Campus forum brings students together to discuss issues

Samantha Young
Technical Editor

Wednesday’s SGA Campus Forum focused on the issues of visitation, campus lighting, student activities, the proposed new dorms and SGA itself.

President Jennifer Ogg opened the discussion on visitation, noting that visitation rules are a matter of state law and that it would be more effective to lobby for change with the rest of the University of Tennessee system than it would for UTM to work alone.

While opinions on round-the-clock visitation varied, a general consensus was formed that freshman visitation in particular was unfair. Haley Robinson, an SGA student justice, said that the rules for freshman visitation were “too strict” and that “a big part of college is learning how to be an adult.”

Lisa Evans, a member of a previous year’s Freshmen Council, drew on her experiences as a resident assistant when she offered a dissenting opinion, saying that visitation is a matter of consideration of a roommate.

Ogg closed the dialogue, saying that considering Martin’s geographi-

cal location 24-hour visitation would be unlikely and that UTM has more restrictive visitation rules than do most Southern universities.

Campus lighting was the next item on the agenda. Sen. Jeff Hall expressed interest in lighting around the fitness trail. Sen. Joey Pierce said that since no electrical wiring is in place near Pacer Pond, such a project would be extraordinarily expensive.

Evans said that she had observed lights on timers that were not activating after dusk, stating fear for personal safety as her primary concern.

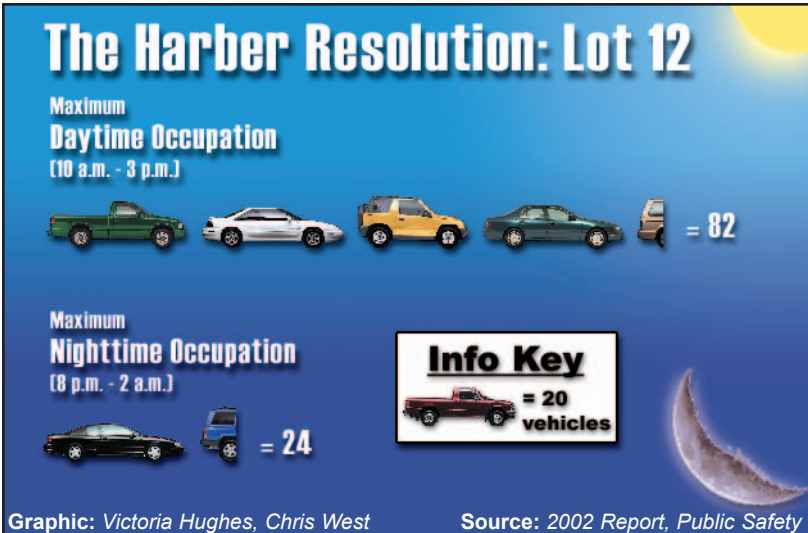
In the matter of student activities, Sen. Beth Parnell suggested a wider variety of events offered to students. Hall concurred, stating his desire that UTM not be a “suitcase college.”

Pierce said that efforts to keep students on campus and/or in town over the weekends have failed repeatedly in the past.

Sen. Matt Maxey suggested that activities not be so focused on greek organizations, saying that other organizations need to be reached as well. Parnell agreed, saying that activities such as Homecoming are “over-run by greek competition.”

Ogg ended the structured

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Parking resolution hits roadblock

Richard K. Kimbley II
Staff Writer

Sen. Laura Harber presented the Harbor Resolution to the SGA on Thursday Nov. 6, and the Senate passed the resolution. This resolution proposes that parking lot 12 that is located behind the Communications Building that is currently classified as non-commuter parking for residents of Cooper and Clement Hall, be reassigned as commuter parking. The resolution was not specific as to how much of the lot should be reassigned.

In her resolution, Harber stated that parking lot 12 which is designated as Cooper and Clement parking is not being used to its maximum capacity, therefore commuters could perhaps find it of more use.

Information provided by the Analysis of Parking Facilities at the University of Tennessee at Martin shows that on average between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. the average of number of cars present are 72 with a maximum capacity of 84 cars for this area of the lot. That leaves an average of 12 spaces

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Brady Wahlberg, UTM Quarterback

Deja Vu?

Thursday night action found the not-so-many in attendance that braved the near freezing temperatures for the final game of the season feeling an odd sense of familiarity.

The coaches have changed. The uniforms have changed. The sidelines that the fans and band sit on has changed. Even the stadium landscape and lighting has changed.

Matt Griffin, the Skyhawk football team head coach, as well as many fans, may wish that just one thing from last season wouldn’t have reminded the same.

The team’s two and ten record mirrors last year’s mark.

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College Democrats attend conference in Nashville

Three UTM students elected to statewide office over weekend

Judith Hill
College Democrats

For the second year in a row three UTM students were elected to the Tennessee Federation of College Democrats Executive Committee. Matt Maxey was re-elected as Treasurer, John Lankford was elected as Vice President of Legislative Affairs and Kevin Teets was elected as Communication Director. Their term will begin February 2004 when they are sworn into office during the National Convention in Washington D.C.

The Tennessee Federation of College Democrats was founded in 1998, and previously held its state convention during the College Democrats National annual convention in Washington, D.C. This was the first year the College Democrats held there convention in Tennessee. Close to fifty college students from across Tennessee made the journey to Nashville on Saturday to

join in this event.

"We are extremely excited about being able to hold our state convention in Tennessee. This is our home, and here in Nashville is where we hope to send Democratic state senators and Democratic state representatives next year," said Tennessee Federation of College Democrats President, Wil Hammond.

College Democrats from across the state were able to learn about all aspects of running a campaign from fundraising, research, communications, and field work. The convention closed with an address from Tennessee House Majority Leader Kim McMillan (D- Clarksville), the first woman to hold this position.

UT Martin student Braden Holton said, "TFCD has given me a strong insight on the ins and outs of political campaigns and I can see how the knowledge game would prove beneficial in my service on a future political campaign."



Photo courtesy of Tennessee College Democrats

Pictured from left to right, Kevin Teets, Matt Maxey and John Lankford, all UTM students, will serve as officers in the state federation.

U.S. Congressman Jim Cooper, representing the fifth congressional district of Tennessee, kicked off the convention with opening remarks on current events including the nation's budget and the war in Iraq.

"The future of our lives are on the line and young people can help change the way things are going," Cooper said. "We went from a balanced budget three years ago to the largest deficit we've seen in history."

"I think it sends the message that college students are more interested in jobs after they graduate than a \$95 tax credit and they know that the Democratic Party will fight to get back more three million jobs that we have lost in the past three years," said TFCD President Wil Hammond.

For information on the Tennessee Federation of College Democrats check out their website at www.tfcd.org.

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Two years of service in Armed Forces for all?



Geoffrey Oliver
Guest Columnist

There is a dark deed rising from the depths of Washington. It is being constructed quietly behind the scenes, with little fanfare. It is called a draft.

On Jan. 7, both the House of Representatives and the Senate introduced the same exact bill entitled the "Universal National Security Act of 2003." The text of this bill can easily be read on the Library of Congress' Web site.

Simply search for S 89 (the Senate version) and HR 163 (the Representative version). It really doesn't matter which one you read because they are both exactly the same.

The bill, if passed, would require all Americans, age 18 through 26, to serve for two years. Women... this includes you. Conscientious objectors... you're included, too. The wording takes into account a person's gender, religious belief and philosophical view. Unlike the draft of the 1960's, this one leaves few avenues for escape. And before you go blaming the Republicans, I will tell you that both bills are proposed and sponsored by 100 percent Democrats.

Now, just proposing a bill like

this is not necessarily a sure sign anything will become of it. A different and rustier version of it existed throughout most of the 1990's. No, the thing that bothers me is what was proposed earlier this month.

The Department of Defense (who keeps claiming they will never reinstate the draft) has posted a request for volunteers on their website. I only found this out by reading the online newspapers of Europe and Canada.

The public website, located at www.defendamerica.mil/articles/sss092203.html, posts an article entitled "Serve Your Community and the Nation: Become a Selective Service Local Board Member."

The article requests volunteers for the Selective Service Board, which is the engine used by the Pentagon to draft soldiers and has been unused since the 1970's. The mainstream media has been alarmingly quiet about a great many things.

So what we have is a war started by Republicans, fueled by Democrats and led by a petroleum business executive accountable to neither. After the Selective Service Board is assembled, Washington will have the method for quickly creating an incredibly huge army and the trump card to play it with, without even calling it a war.

Yet, we are expected to believe that all of this means nothing. Move along now, nothing to see here. And, by the way, the rest of the world is more aware of the inherent dangers than we are. Because historically, this is how

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Send Bush back to ranch



Kevin Teets
Managing Editor

Lessons in history should be a prerequisite for being allowed to speak on a college campus. Republican party chairwoman Beth Harwell is scheduled to speak at UTM at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 19 in Watkins Auditorium. Perhaps someone could arrange for her to be in attendance for a political history class during her visit.

Harwell was quoted in The Jackson Sun as challenging any-

one to name a Democratic initiative that "has actually worked." A visit to a college campus may leave her with education on the subjects of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's establishment of social security and TVA (Tennessee Valley Authority) plus Kennedy's establishment of the Peace Corps.

She may also familiarize herself with Johnson's establishment of Medicare, Medicaid, Head Start, Federal Student Aid and the 1964 Civil Rights Acts that provided fair treatment for voters at polling places.

The day's lecture might even include President Jimmy Carter's achievements with the Camp David Accords and President Clinton's establishment of the Family Medical Leave Act that allows Americans to take off work to tend to sick children, spouses and parents without los-

ing employment.

All of these men are Democrats who have had several initiatives that have "actually worked."

Harwell was also quoted to have opened her speech with a joke detailing a question that her son asked her while passing a man in the hallway. The Jackson Sun said that after the man had passed, her son asked, "Was that a Republican or a Dummymocrat?"

While partisan humor is appreciated and has its place, I wonder if words like economy, jobs, balanced budget and fair and affordable healthcare will actually be included in one's vernacular. It would be a pity for a young person to be "left behind" and not have these words to add to their vocabulary. Or, maybe it is ok to allow Bush and a Republican controlled Congress to short-change America \$160 million for

education.

But, I will agree that with every forum and presenter there is something to be learned. I plan on attending the presentation to reaffirm the fact that I am standing behind the right people such as Democratic Governor Phil Bredesen, Congressmen Jim Cooper, Lincoln Davis, Harold Ford Jr, Bart Gordon and John Tanner.

Hopefully everyone else that is in attendance will learn the truth: a Democrat in office means more jobs, affordable health care and balanced budgets. Hopefully they will learn that we can change the direction our country is going by putting a Democrat in office in 2004 and sending Bush back to the ranch.

Kevin Teets is the Managing Editor and a sophomore Communications major.

Make students want to attend class or end attendance policy



Steven J. Mitchell
Guest Columnist

Imagine that it is your first day of class. The professor passes out the syllabus. He or she then goes over it thoroughly to make sure that no one is confused about how the class will be run for the semester. The professor asks if there are any questions. Normally, the questions asked are ones that have nothing to do with the concern that I want to express now: ATTENDANCE. Many professors incorporate an "attendance policy" into their syllabi that is to be met or the grade of the student will continue to be dropped each day after the

"allowed absences" are used. OK, let's see ... where should I start?

Considering a variety of circumstances (illness, bad weather, etc.) that can prevent the most studious of students on campus from making it to a particular class meeting, a professor should think again when allowing a student's absence to negatively reflect on his or her grade. If a student believes that he or she can afford to miss a class, regardless of the circumstances, why should a professor have the right to "dock them a letter grade"?

Here on a college campus, we normally pay an arm and a leg (and sometimes a foot) to attend school. Therefore, students should be the adults that they are expected to be and make the decision whether they want to attend something they paid for. Yes, all professors believe that the information they cover is vital and should not be missed. However, if a student misses it, and it does not show in his or her

grades, then evidently that person is doing something right.

Some professors are just extremely boring, and it is torture for some students to endure non-stop lecturing for 50 to 75 minutes. Some professors only give three or four tests for the semester, which are all averaged into a student's final grade.

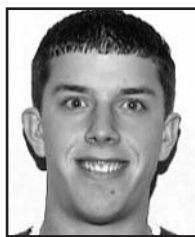
The few class periods designated for taking those tests leave numerous class meetings with professors standing before their students going over the required book that we could actually read on our own time. If I am only there to stare at the wall and listen to nothing that you are saying for an hour because you have not put forth any effort to make the information interesting or even comprehensible, then why should I go?

All in all, professors should be able to take in what they dish out. If they have their hearts set on setting us back simply because we miss more classes than the general three or four they allow us to,

then each day they do not meet the standard they set for us, their pay should be docked! That is merely applying the good ole' Golden Rule to our lives. Professors would not like that very much either. So professors, your goal should be to make a student want to go to class and listen to what you have to say for the day. If you are incapable of making students want to learn and go to class regardless of crazy stipulations that you implement into your grading policy, then maybe teaching is not your forte. Oh, and so you'd know ... having a degree does not necessarily qualify you to be a good educator. As stated in my prolegomenon, the publication of this article is primarily to express my concern along with a multitude of other students on this campus. Therefore, professors ... don't just read this ... take time to think about it! God bless!

Steven J. Mitchell is a junior Communications major from Memphis.

Tension between fraternities truly unnecessary



Brent Harris
Guest Columnist

During the past few months, a lot of tension has erupted among fraternities on campus, especially the fraternities of Alpha Tau Omega, Pi Kappa Alpha and Kappa Alpha Order.

The three fraternities have lashed out at each other with verbal insults, T-shirts and parties.

The primary question I keep asking myself is "Why?" We are all students here who have differ-

ent interests and see things differently. We are not always going to agree on everything, but that is what makes this university a great place to attend -- there is so much diversity. So why can we not respect each other's diversity?

When we all went through rush, we heard the same thing: "Go where you feel comfortable." I felt comfortable with the guys I met at the KA house. So the right decision, for me, was to become a KA. I hope all those who rushed chose the places they are now because of the same kind of feelings that I had. When you made your decision, you did not have to ask yourself, "Am I making the right decision?" You just knew.

So why should there be such negativity among people of opposing fraternities? I, for one, show no animosity toward peo-

ple in different fraternities. You made the right decision for yourselves and I respect that decision. Why should you dislike me or why should I dislike you for your personal choices?

The answer to that question is that we should not dislike each other. Now I am not so naïve as to say that we are all going to be best friends with each other and get along at all times, because we are not. We are going to have conflicts with each other. But, at the same time, I, for one, will not instigate anything with anyone and try to start a fight.

You may think I am afraid or

something like that, but when I step back and look at the things that have happened during the past few months, it is pretty ridiculous. And there is not one group of guys to blame for this. It is all of us. Each fraternity has had members who have said things to others to provoke them, and most of the time what has been said was very unnecessary.

The bottom line is that we are not in high school anymore. We are supposed to be mature adults who can reasonably handle any differences we may have, and

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Minority student rejects bias of affirmative action



Gregory Sirising
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For the past few weeks, I have read interesting discussions about affirmative action. I, myself, am a minority in society. My parents came to America from Laos (located in Asia) not more than 25 years ago, three years before I was born.

Yes, my parents did struggle to make it in this country, as did I in my early years of schooling. I know first hand what it is like to be the only person in a class who isn't white. I went to a predominantly white school and still made it to where I am today on my own merits and hard work.

However, I have to disagree with affirmative action. Everyone in society wants to be treated equally, without regard to skin color, sex, gender, sexual orientation, age, etc. If that is the case, then why is affirmative action still in place? How can you compare yourself to others as being equal when you have a stepping stool to where you are now?

President Johnson introduced affirmative action in 1965 as a method of redressing discrimination that had persisted in spite of civil rights laws and constitutional guarantees that all men are created equal.

Thus, affirmative action was put in place to make sure that minorities aren't treated unfairly because of the color of their skin color or sex. Turn the tables for a minute and pretend you are a white male who has repeatedly tried to get into medical school, but has been refused two years in a row.

The school accepts 100 students each year, with 16 spots reserved for minority students. How would you feel if you were rejected two years in a row by a medical school that accepted less qualified minority applicants?

The scenario mentioned actually occurred and was brought to the Supreme Court in 1978 (Regents of the University of California v. Bakke). The Supreme Court actually ruled against affirmative action because the policy discriminated against a white male.

Currently, my younger brother is attending Tennessee State University, a historically black college, and is on a minority scholarship. How does that make you feel that my brother is going to school and getting the same education as you are, but paying less tuition for it? What makes him any different from anyone else: The color of his skin.

While most college students work long hours during the summer or take out loans to be able to afford college tuition, others are taking advantage of scholarships because of their skin color (mind you, my brother is on a minority scholarship at TSU, but he also has loans and is in the Marine Reserves).

Affirmative action does create

segregation by focusing only on minorities. It also discriminates because more qualified people are turned down for admission to schools or promotions for jobs just because of the color of their skin.

Many school and job applications rarely ask for anyone's race (if it does, it's always optional). By keeping affirmative action, society continues to segregate and discriminate based on skin color. Many organizations have been formed to help minority groups to become equal in America, but is affirmative action really helping that cause? How can anyone become equal when they have special treatment just because of their skin color?

Yes, minorities were treated unequally in the past, but this is the present (I'm not saying that there still isn't discrimination in society today). Affirmative action segregates because of skin color. If you truly want to live life and know that you have worked hard to get to where you are, then maybe affirmative action isn't the answer.

I agree with Robby Appleton's usage of Dr. Martin Luther King's quote: "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

That is what I personally want to see: for everyone to have an equal place in society regardless of what they are, but based on who they are and their character.

Gregory Sirising is a senior Communications major from Smyrna.

New parking rule stealing spots

Anthony Jones
Guest Columnist

Recently, the SGA passed a resolution to try to have Lot 12 changed from Cooper-Clement parking to commuter parking. Being a commuter last year, this idea seems to make sense. However, now that I am a Cooper resident, this idea makes no sense at all.

For those of you who don't know, Lot 12 is the long lot behind the Sociology and Communications Buildings, directly across from Cooper. It is within a short walking distance of Business Administration, making it ideal for a place to relieve an overcrowded BA commuter lot. Between the hours of 9 a.m. and

2 p.m., the BA commuter lot that already exists is usually full, and commuters are forced to park farther away from BA and Gooch than they would like.

However, Cooper residents also have a full lot. In the evenings from about 6 p.m. until 11 a.m. the next day, the lot directly beside Cooper is almost always full as well. People who work and have to come in late have to park in Lot 12 to avoid having to park extremely far away from their dorm.

If the Cooper portion of the lot is rezoned commuter only, it leaves Cooper residents little choice. Either we can park in staff parking and get a ticket the next morning, or park in commuter parking and get a ticket

that night. I don't really want to have to pay \$10 every day because there is no parking anywhere close to my dorm.

I'm not sure whether this issue was brought before SGA at the last senate meeting, but it seems clear to me, as I'm sure it is to several other Cooper residents, that what little parking we have now needs to be available to us in some form.

Otherwise, what is the point of trying to stay in a dorm that you have to drive around all night looking for a parking spot?

Anthony Jones is a sophomore Management Information Systems major from Union City.

One More Day for Yearbook Pictures

1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19
214 Gooch Hall
(TV Studio, third hallway)

You're paying for a book,
so please get your photo taken for it!

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once it is settled, that should be it.

I say this to all of us, my fraternity brothers as well as others: the longer we "run our mouths" to each other, the longer this will go on. College is intended to give us great memories that we will take with us for the rest of our lives. Do you really want to leave

college thinking, "Man, I really hated those Pikes" or that you had to get into a fight every time you saw a KA or an ATO? I do not want my college experience to be like that, and I hope no one else does.

So I would like to make a challenge to each fraternity: Let the past be the past, start over and

enjoy your college experience so that one day you can say that whatever group you chose to be part of helped you to become a better man and that you had a great time while you attended UTM.

Brent Harris is a junior Communications major from Martin.

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dictators came to power and drove their countries into the ground.

But regardless of political persuasion, if we don't end this "pre-emptive defensive engagement" now, things are inevitably going to get worse. So, when you go home for Christmas this year, point out to your loved ones that both sides of this two-party sys-

tem are pushing us into darkness. Maybe through a third party, we could take the power back.

But the way to stop this war is through your votes. Let your political leaders know you can vote them out of office easily, California-governor style. But next year is an election year, so you better represent ... from the heart. You can't afford to just flip

a coin this time or not even show up.

Well, I grew up in the South surrounded by colorful clichés. So let me leave you with one that I think applies here. "If it looks like a duck and quacks like a duck, it's probably a duck."

Geoffrey Oliver is a Sociology major from Gleason.

Correction

In the Nov. 7 issue of *The Pacer*, Sen. Joey Pierce of SGA was incorrectly identified as a member of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts. He is a member of the College of Business and Public Affairs. *The Pacer* apologizes for this error.

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CAMPUS NEWS

UTM NAACP hosts 'Student Police Unity Forum'

Natalie Simmons
Staff Writer

The Political Action Committee of the UTM chapter of the NAACP hosted its first Student Police Unity Forum on Wednesday, Nov. 12, in Watkins Auditorium.

The forum gave students a chance to ask questions and voice concerns about issues and rights on the UTM campus and in Martin. The night was divided into several conversation topics including law enforcement procedure and training, campus affairs, police-civilian relations and minority issues.

Closing remarks for the discussions were given by NAACP adviser Dr. Rosetta Washington. Students sent in questions to the NAACP chapter and were presented to the panel, which consisted of: Martin Public Safety Director J.D. Sanders, MPD Capt. David Moore, MPD Lt. Sammy Lyles, Martin Mayor Randy Brundige, UTM Director of Public Safety Rick Hatler and UTM Capt. Steve Jahr.

Students submitted questions earlier in the week in boxes that were placed around the UC. Officers were given a copy of the questions in advance. Some of the questions that were presented

and their answers included:

Q: When should the Miranda rights be read?

A: When someone feels their freedom has been taken away, or if questions are asked in an accusatory manner.

Q: Does the police department have a quota for tickets?

A: No, they don't have a quota, but they do monitor officers who have given out too many or too few tickets.

Q: If you're pulled over, what should you do to cooperate with the officer?

A: When the officer approaches, have your driver's license and registration ready. You should have your hands visible to the officer. If you would like to know why you've been pulled over, ask in a polite manner.

Other questions that were asked referred to the fight that took place at the university on Aug. 22. The first question in reference to this fight: "Define a riot."

"I think a riot is kinda like pornography. You can't define it but you know what it is when you see it," said Hatler. He went on to say that the penal code defines a riot as three or more people together who are expressing violent behavior and because of that behavior there is bodily harm or

physical damage.

The officers informed those in attendance that if you ever feel that you have been disrespected or treated in an unfair manner, to always feel free to discuss the issue with the department. Another issue that was addressed was the number of parking tickets distributed on campus.

The fiscal year's revenue for parking tickets came to \$155,000, which is used to build new parking lots and maintain the existing lots. Hatler made the point that each parking spot on campus costs \$1,000 to build and maintain.

Another topic that was addressed was racial profiling. Sanders said that he has been involved in an initiative to track racial profiling that requires officers to fill out a report after each traffic stop. But he said that no amount of paperwork could indicate the motives or feelings in someone's heart.

"I don't know a single police chief or sheriff that will tolerate racial profiling but it is extremely difficult to look at a department of people and see how they really feel. Usually their actions will show up better than their feelings. That's why it is so important to make sure we hire quality people," Sanders said.



Photo Illustration by Victoria Hughes

Another question was about marijuana, which was addressed by Lyles. The question was "How much weed constitutes a felony?" Lyles said that one half of an ounce or 14.3 grams is a felony amount.

As the forum was coming to a close, Moore said that he would

like to attend more forums.

"We got a list of some questions that were going to be asked earlier this afternoon; a lot of those questions were asked and I felt all of them were answered to the satisfaction of the folks in the audience – that is the key. Just by the reaction of the audience, I

think everybody was satisfied and I like the idea of doing it more often.

"As long as the people asking the questions tonight are willing to listen to the answers and have a dialogue the way we had tonight, then that's fantastic," Moore said.

Survey asks: Are YOU satisfied?

Sara Cornwell
Staff Writer

Psychology Professor Dr. Gary Brown's Psychology 480 Senior Seminar class is currently conducting a student satisfaction survey for UTM as part of a research project.

The survey will indicate which aspects of the university students are satisfied with and which they are not satisfied with. The results of the study will be presented to the chancellor and his staff at a budget planning meeting in the spring.

"This will give the budget

committee a better idea of what students want," said class member Katy Beres, a senior Psychology major from Franklin.

Students are conducting the survey by visiting student organizations, as well as calling randomly selected students on the telephone and inviting students who have not been contacted to fill out the survey online.

This is the first year for Brown's class to conduct a study like this one.

"I am so excited to be a part of a study that has the potential to really change things here at UTM. I always hear students talking about things they wish

were different, and now is their chance," Beres said.

The class will have the results ready by the end of the semester for the spring presentation. "We want to see what students really think about different areas of the university. This could be important if we do not have tax reform in Tennessee and areas have to be cut," said Brown on the expected outcome of the study.

The study is available online at <http://surveys.utm.edu:80/wsveys/s/82-fege/> through Thursday, Nov. 20. All students are invited to participate by the psychology class.

MDA week a success for Kappa Alpha Order

The brothers of Kappa Alpha Order recently raised about \$3,500 for their philanthropy, the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The fraternity hosted a week of fundraisers to benefit MDA. Blake Carrington, the MDA chairman who coordinated the events, said, "We would like to thank everyone who participated in the various events for their support for the Muscular

Dystrophy Association. Without everyone chipping in, the week would not have been such an outstanding success."

The first event was a pledge drive, where participants paid \$1 each and signed their names on paper pumpkins that were displayed in the UC throughout the week in honor of their contribution.

The second event was a new member auction, which also was

a success. The brothers then finished the week with a trick-or-treat event for MDA. This consisted of brothers going to houses and to various businesses in the community to ask for monetary donations for MDA.

With the week being such an overwhelming success, the brothers plan to make MDA Week a staple on KA's events calendar for years to come.

UTM has options for attending graduate school

Michelle Haynes
Staff Writer

For those who are wondering about what to do after undergraduate school, have you thought about going to graduate school?

Well, consider getting your MBA (master of Business Administration) at UTM and yes, it is accredited by the Association To Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The MBA is a distinguished degree.

To get your MBA, you do not even have to graduate with an undergraduate degree in Business. The MBA program prepares those who are interest-

ed in pursuing fields in the business world and emphasis is placed on managerial positions.

The program is geared to those who work during the day, so they can attend classes at night.

The prerequisites for the degree are the following: Fundamentals of Financial Accounting, Fundamentals of Managerial Accounting, Principles of Macroeconomics, Principles of Microeconomics, Managerial Finance, Organization and Management, Principles of Marketing, Elementary Statistics and a minimum of a 450 on the GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test).

After you have met the prereq-

uisites for the program, you must have a recommendation from the graduate degree coordinator of the student degree program and then the graduate degree coordinator of the program must accept you.

If this article moves you into wanting to pursue a master of Business Administration degree, you must fill out an application and send the appointed fee to UTM's Office of Graduate Studies.

For more information, contact Dr. Victoria S. Seng, dean of Graduate Studies or Dr. Richard B. Griffin, coordinator of Graduate Programs in Business, or the UTM course catalog.

For a good cause ...



... the Jackson Generals, wheelchair hoops masters

File photos courtesy National Wheelchair Basketball Association Web site, NWBA.org. The Jackson Generals are former NWBA champs.

Officers play in wheelchair basketball game to raise money for Jackson Generals squad

The Jackson Generals rolled over the "Other Guys" in last Thursday's wheelchair basketball game at UTM. The Generals last met this team on the court in 2001 to raise money for the charity Habitat For Humanity.

The year, all the proceeds went to the Generals for their expenses and equipment, since one wheelchair costs about \$2,300. Team members of the "Other Guys" included officers from the Martin Police Department as well as the UTM Department of Public Safety. Officer Chad Worley scored the team's only two points. However, the Generals did uphold a mercy rule of 100 points.

UTM student Don DeVaul has played for the Generals since the team began in 1997 and is the only original team member remaining. "We practice at least once a week and play in Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi," DeVaul said.

The Generals won the National Wheelchair Basketball Championship in Bloomington, Ind., from 2000-2002. Their next game will be held in Memphis on Nov. 29.

Financial tips for the average college student

Lisa Ashby
Associate News Editor

More times than not, money and college students form a dangerous combination.

When struggling to fight late-night munchies, shopping or going out with friends, students often find their wallets empty and have hardly anything to show for it.

With tuition on the rise every year, it gets more difficult to have money left over to pay for other expenses.

The best way to save as much as possible is to put whatever amount is left over after paying for tuition and fees in a savings account, preferably one back home so that it is not as accessible as if it were in the bank down the street. Don't worry about investing money in stocks and bonds just yet; instead, just focus on building up a savings account.

The next step is to create a budget. List what fixed expenses you have such as tuition and list variable expenses such as entertainment. If you fall short on money based on your budget, nip some off the variable expenses or find a part-time job. Never take out a loan or cash in car titles for quick cash.

Credit cards are volatile in a student's financial situation. Cut up all credit cards if possible. If parents would be at ease knowing their child has an emergency credit card, keep one, but no more than one. Be sure to hide it in the wallet behind other ID cards so that the credit card isn't staring you in the face every time you pay for something.

"If you can eat it, drink it or wear it, do not put it on a credit card," said Bobbie McClain, director of

Student Financial Assistance.

A major way to save money is to go the bargain route. Power shoppers know that bargain stores are a gold mine when looking for a quick fix to that shopping urge. "Students need to understand the difference between a want and a need. If you need to shop, look for sales and remember that shopping on the Internet can be cheaper than buying the item in the store," said McClain.

McClain is teaching a course for the spring 2004 semester called Finance 260: Personal Finance and Planning. This course will deal with budget planning, credit card management and information on how a college student can manage money.

The ultimate secret to managing money is sometimes easier said than done: spend less than is earned. Small cuts in spending will help drastically. Tahira Hira, a professor of personal finance and consumer economics at Iowa State University, has devoted many years to studying the source of people's money problems. She offers several tips to help people save money, but her big tip is to buy used. "You can potentially cut [your budget] in half by shopping at consignment shops and auctions, though the life of the goods may be less than buying new," said Hira, as told to Jennifer Mulrean from MSN Money online.

A way to save money and save your life at the same time is to quit or cut back on smoking and drinking. Liquor and cigarettes are expensive little things that add up quickly. A pack here and there quickly becomes a daily routine and a six pack a weekend soon consumes all you have worked hard to save.

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POLICE REPORT

Monday, Nov. 3
9:03 a.m., University Courts
Student reported receiving harassing phone call. Investigation continues.

Monday, Nov. 3
9:29 a.m., Lot 12-Humanities
Vehicle towed for excessive number of parking tickets.

Tuesday, Nov. 4
8:56 a.m., Lot 12-Humanities
Vehicle towed for excessive number of parking tickets.

Tuesday, Nov. 4
11:02 a.m., University Street
Citation issued for speeding, Martin City Court.

Tuesday, Nov. 4
2:19 p.m., Lot 2-Elam Center
Accident in the parking lot. Report is on file.

Wednesday, Nov. 5
1:55 p.m., UTM Campus
A non-student was reported on campus and the reporting person stated a restraining order was in effect for her husband who was also on campus. Both subjects were located. There is no restraining

order issued at this time and both were advised to leave the campus.

Wednesday, Nov. 5
9:53 p.m., Football Stadium
A non-student was using a campus telephone and was asked to leave the campus. Referred to Student Affairs.

Thursday, Nov. 6
2:27 a.m., McCord Hall
A student was escorted from McCord Hall to Cooper Hall. Student had violated open house and was placed on the first offenders alcohol list.

Friday, Nov. 7
5:36 a.m., University Courts
A married couple were having problems and an officer was requested.

Friday, Nov. 7
10:01 p.m., Lot 19-Browning Hall
Student reported his bicycle missing. Bike was later located by the owner.

Public Safety Report is provided by the Department of Public Safety at UTM. All items on the public safety report are considered public record. DPS can be contacted at 587-7777.

BULLETIN BOARD

SABER
There will be a RAD (Rape Aggression Defense) women's self-defense program hosted by SABER from 7:30-10:30p.m. Nov. 17-19 in Cooper Hall basement. For more information, please contact Lt. Ray Coleman at 587-7777 or ccoleman@utm.edu.

Pacer meeting
If you are interested in writing for the Pacer, come to meetings at 5:15 p.m. every Thursday in 316 Gooch.

Martin Fire Department
The Martin Fire Department will be taking applications for a reserve firefighter. Minimum qualifications include: be 18 years of age, able to work one 12-hour shift per month and respond to page-outs when required, live within one mile of the MFD response area and take a physical agility test. Applications can be obtained at the Buster Williams Fire Station at 106 Neal St. in Martin. All applications should be returned by Nov. 15. For more information, call MFD at 587-4919.

Carl Perkins Center for Child Abuse
The Weakley/Obion County Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse has scheduled a training session for volunteers. The free session will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at the Center, 111 Oxford St. in Martin. Lunch will be provided. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities at the Carl Perkins Center. For more information, or to register for the training session, call Penny Moser at 588-5766.

Alpha Gamma Rho
Alpha Gamma Rho will be having its bi-annual workday on Saturday, Nov. 15. The brothers will work jobs in the community to raise \$40 per brother for its philanthropy. Ag-in-the-Classroom. Anyone who is interested in hiring brothers can contact Kyle Holmberg at 587-3896.

Rifle Club
The UTM Rifle Club will sponsor its annual Turkey Shoot Nov. 17-20. Firing times will be 4-6 p.m. each afternoon. The event will be held at the UTM Rifle Range in the ROTC building. Winners will receive their choice of a turkey or a pizza coupon. For more information, call 587-7720.

New museum exhibition open
The University Museum will be opening a new exhibition curated by Angie Widener and Karen Elmore. "Music from the Mountains" displays 15 instruments from Appalachian folk tradition. Most are on loan from Virginia instrument maker Walter Messick of Cabin Creek Instruments. At 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 18, the museum will host a demonstration concert in the Special Collections reading room, followed by an opportunity for participants to handle the exhibits. UTM professors Lisa LeBleu, Teresa Collard and Egan Green will be playing folksongs and other music on the exhibit instruments. Seating is limited, so come early.

The gallery is open to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and to groups at other times by prior arrangement with the director.

Beta Beta Beta
The Mu Upsilon chapter of Beta Beta Beta, the Biological Honor Society, is collecting pink lids from Yoplait yogurt containers for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The drive will be held until Nov. 18. Tri-Beta is collecting clean pink Yoplait lids and those lids can be delivered to the Department of Biological Sciences, 249 Brehm Hall, or contact Darrell Ray at dlray@utm.edu to arrange to have lids picked up.

Photography Club
The UTM Photography Club is hosting a campus photography competition from 6-7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 18 in the 217 UC. It is open to everyone with a \$1 entrance fee entry. There are six categories. The awards ceremony will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 25. All pictures must be matted or framed before entering in the competition. All judges are area professional photographers. For more information, contact president Stephen Burgin at 234-8888 or student advisor Shawn Farnsworth at 588-2802.

Tennessee Republican Party
Tennessee Republican Party Chairman Beth Harwell will be at UTM from 4-5 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 19 in Watkins Auditorium. The event is co-sponsored by the Weakley County Republican Party and the UTM College Republicans. For more information, contact Christin Hayes at chrhayes@mars.utm.edu.

Open Forum for UT Presidential Search
The Presidential Search Advisory Council and Search Committee are holding open forums around Tennessee for the selection of the next UT president of the and we invite you to attend. The Martin forum is at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, in Watkins Auditorium. During the event we will review our guiding principles as they relate to the search process. The meeting will also provide an opportunity to offer comments on the qualifications and characteristics of the next UT president.

Zeta Phi Beta forum
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., will be hosting a "Zeta Forum" at 8:20 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 20, in 206ABC UC. For more information, contact Kimberly Rhodes at 587-8391.

Voice your opinion online!
Psychology Professor Dr. Gary Brown's Psychology 480 Senior Seminar class is currently conducting a student satisfaction survey for UTM as part of a research project. The study is available online at <http://surveys.utm.edu:80/wsurveys/s/82-fege/> through Thursday, Nov. 20. **Gamma Beta Phi**
Gamma Beta Phi will be hosting a Student vs. Faculty Basketball Game at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20 in the Fieldhouse. Anyone interested in participating should contact pres-

ident Kim Harrington at 587-1439.

Gamma Kappa Pi
The sisters of Gamma Kappa Pi will be selling flower grams for \$1 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Nov. 20-21. The flower grams will come with a daisy and a personalized message of your choice. The flowers can be delivered to dorms or picked up from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 24. Proceeds will benefit LeBonheur and GKPi.

Society of Professional Journalists
The next Society of Professional Journalists meeting will be immediately following the Pacer meeting Thursday, Nov. 21, in 316 Gooch. This meeting is open to everyone.

Habitat for Humanity
Habitat for Humanity would like to invite everyone to attend a general chapter meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, Nov. 24 in 206A UC. The Weakley County affiliate will be building a new house in Martin in the spring and the chapter would like to begin organizing campus involvement.

Bean Switch
Submit to Bean Switch, the UTM literary magazine. The fall-term deadline is at 4 p.m. on Dec. 5. Bring submissions to the Department of English located at 131 Humanities. For more information, contact the Department of English.

Diploma Application
Several seniors and master's candidates planning to graduate this semester have not yet filed a diploma application. Please apply so that your diploma will arrive for in time for commencement. This is now an online process on Banner Web.

Skyhawk Dancers
The UTM Skyhawk Marching Band is creating a new dance team, "The UTM Skyhawk Dancers" for the 2004 season. The group will perform with the marching band at home games and exhibitions. Students with previous dance experience who are interested in joining should contact Alix Miller Gausline at apmiller@utm.edu.

UPCOMING CAMPUS INTERVIEWS

FARM CREDIT SERVICES.
Thursday, Dec. 4. Positions: Business Analyst Trainee, Financial Services Officer Trainee and BA and FSO Summer Interns. Degree: agriculture, business or related field. Agriculture or agribusiness experience required. Locations available: Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana and Ohio. Resumes must in to Employment Information Services by Thursday, Nov. 20 for pre-screening by Farm Credit. They will select students to be interviewed from these resumes. For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Employment Information Services, 215 UC.

Want free publicity for your organization? Submit it via our Web site at <http://pacer.utm.edu> or by e-mail at pacer_news@mars.utm.edu.

SAC hosts alcohol awareness week

Matthew Muehlberger
Staff Writer

The UTM Student Activities Council (SAC) serves up alcohol awareness. A week full of interesting and fun activities to help students become aware of alcohol kicked off on Monday. Members of SAC handed out red ribbons in the University Center during 10-2pm. When asked about the kick off to the week SAC 's Arts, Views and News Chair, Nicole Bennington said, "We had 18ft rolls of red ribbon when we began and by the end of the day we gave out around 400 red ribbons so we definitely got off to a good start."

Monday night was definitely a sight for many students that passed through the UC. SAC held their first ever "Keg Party" in the UC game room. Of course, this was not your normal keg party but instead a root bear keg party. Students were able to

quiche their thirst on ice-cold root beer. Tucker Leigh a sophomore who attended the party said, "It was an interesting concept and quite a learning experience."

Volunteer Distributors of Dresden who donated the empty kegs also donated Budweiser coolers, key chains, and drink responsibly wristbands. Tuesday night SAC sponsored comedian/ speaker Bernie McGreghnan at Watkins Auditorium performance was both comical and but had a powerful message for the audience. Wednesday a drunk driving simulator was set up in the UC lobby where students could actually feel as if they were behind the wheel while intoxicated. Thursday the campus indulged into mocktails (virgin cocktails). The recipes were handed out to students to take home and mix up a new batch of the tasty non-alcohol drinks. Finally, this Friday students can participate in beer

goggle games in the plaza. When asked about how the awareness week went Bennington said, "For being the first awareness week that SAC has sponsored in a while, this week has definitely been successful."

When asked how he thought the week went Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs David Belote said, "This was a good week; SAC definitely raised the level of awareness of alcohol. The week was educating with an entertaining twist which is exactly what SAC was going for." When Belote was asked what made this year better than others he said, "It was definitely done better and with little more comprehensive and scope."

This week was just the tip of the iceberg of what SAC plans are to bring quality, educational, and entertaining events to the UTM campus. Look for more activities and fun times on campus this year sponsored by the Student Activity Council.

International Programs has much more than meets the eye

Lisa Ashby
Associate News Editor

If most of the Administration building were condensed into one department, it would sum up the Office of International Programs.

Located in 144 Gooch Hall, this department helps international students get admitted to UTM and adjust to life in Martin. With students from Taiwan, Korea, Japan, China and many other places across the globe, the office consists of about 50 to 60 students for this academic year.

The tuition that international students pay to attend UTM is what funds this department. Depending on the number of students attending each semester, they pay for professors and the office from the tuition. There are no grants for this program and no donations except for those who donate specifically to the international program. This program is a soft money operation meaning the department must generate all funds itself in order to keep the program afloat.

Students enrolled in the intensive English program at UTM attend eight week terms. Each term's tuition is \$2,000. There are two terms in a fall semester, two terms in a spring semester and one term in a summer semester. They pay the same

amount for housing, student fees and meal plans as other students.

The program's enrollees were up prior to the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001 but have since decreased due in part to the economic status of the United States. These changes were mostly brought about by changes in the federal government and the immigration department. To study at UTM, a student qualifying to enroll in the International Program is issued a conditional I-20 that depends on the length of time a student will be at UTM. The student is then issued a F-1 visa to allow them to stay and study in the United States. This is not to be confused with a tourist visa. If the student leaves to go back home for any reason, the student must reapply for another I-20 and F-1 visa.

"We help bring cultural diversity to the campus and allow students from other countries to come to UTM to study," said Gary Wilson, academic coordinator and assistant director of International Programs.

Classes are decided based upon what courses a student has left to take and based on test scores from other classes. For more information on this program, contact the office of International Programs at 587-7340 or online at <http://www.utm.edu/departments/acadpro/intprog/intprog.htm>.

November 18th

DANCING & DINING

NOVEMBER 18TH IN THE UC BALLROOM

SAC'S DINING ETIQUETTE BEGINS AT 6:00

DANCING BEGINS AT 7:00

SIGN UP AT THE INFORMATION DESK IN THE U C BY NOVEMBER 17TH

DINING ETIQUETTE SEMINAR NOT A DINNER

Cafe House Open Mic Night!

Where: UC Gameroom
When: November 19th @ 7:00pm
Admission: Zip, Zero, Zilch!

Coming Out With A BANG!

Come out, sing along, before they say so Long! This is the last Open Mic Night of the semester!

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FEATURES

Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats fly high

Sara Beaver
Staff Writer

Have you ever heard of anyone who can balance on top of a tower of oddly stacked chairs (the base chair supported only by bottles under each leg) upside down?

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats are some of the few possessing this skill. They amazed the Martin community Friday, Nov. 8 when they staged one of the most unique shows Martin has seen.

It's astonishing how much coordination, flexibility and will-power one can have, and these acrobats adequately demonstrated these qualities through their stunning acrobatic feats. Several acrobats stole the crowd's attention with numerous eye-catching acts. Some of the acts performed were thought to be impossible, but the acrobats proved them wrong as they juggled machetes, balanced umbrellas and vases in unusual positions, stood on hands on top of several towering chairs, dressed up as dogs in elaborate costumes balancing on several objects, dashed and jumped through hoops, performed various acrobatic flips and presented

several other amazing feats.

One move worth seeing was the human pyramid. It was performed not just on the ground, but also on a bicycle. Another nerve-racking act was one man balancing on top of an elevated tower of chairs. This was performed as a "don't try this at home" feat. The acrobats' colorful and intricate costumes added to the striking performance.

"We were proud to play a part in bringing a quality, family-oriented and culturally interesting show to Martin," said Dr. Tim Johnston, chair of the Brian Brown Greenway Foundation. Several groups donated money to allow children to attend the performance, and members of Pi Sigma Epsilon transported and chaperoned children at the show.

"The members of Pi Sigma Epsilon were happy to help chaperone children to the Chinese Acrobats performance," said Amy Watson, president.

Several UTM organizations provided addi-

tional funds for children to attend.

"University students and children will benefit from the Brian Brown Greenway when it is built, so the Chinese Acrobats performance was a great opportunity to involve UTM students and local children in some fun family entertainment," said Johnston. "Greenway supporters really appreciated the opportunity to co-sponsor the Chinese Acrobats with UTM."



Courtesy of University Relations

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats (pictured above and left) perform for a large crowd on Saturday, Nov. 8, in the Kathleen and Tom Elam Center. The performance was co-sponsored by UTM and the Brian Brown Memorial Greenway Foundation.

The Greenway will also be sponsoring "Cookies with Santa," as its next fundraiser at 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at the C.E. Weldon Public Library in Martin. This event will give children the opportunity to visit with Santa, enjoy cookies, and take home a 5x7 photo taken with Santa in exchange for a \$10 donation to the Greenway.

Appalachian instruments shown in UTM Museum

Though musical styles and instruments vary widely, music is a universal tradition. The United States has many musical traditions, but few are regularly performed on genuine folk instruments.

One exception is the musical traditions of poor Scottish and English immigrants, the Appalachian tradition adapted fiddle tunes and also created music for easy-to-play, easy-to-build folk instruments.

The University Museum is pleased to announce the opening of a new exhibition curated by Angie Widener and Karen Elmore.

Music from the Mountains displays 15 instruments from Appalachian folk tradition, from spoons and bones to dulcimers and banjos. Most are on loan from Virginia instrument maker Walter Messick of Cabin Creek Instruments.

At 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 18, you can hear the instruments as well as see them. The museum will host a demonstration concert in the Special Collections reading room, followed by a touch-and-feel opportunity for participants to handle the exhibits.

UTM professors Lisa LeBleu, Teresa Collard and Egan Green will be playing folk songs and other music on the exhibit instruments.

Seating will be limited, so come early.

The UTM University Museum gallery is located off the Special Collections reading room in the Paul Meek Library. It is open to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and to groups at other times by prior arrangement with the director. For more information about the exhibit or the University Museum, contact Richard Saunders, curator, at 587-7094.

Percussion Ensemble drums up superb concert

Gregory Sirising
Advertising Manager

Proving themselves successful again this year, the Percussion Ensemble tops last year's performance with a bang.

This year there weren't any neon glow in the dark sticks, but there was a special act in the show that the audience did not expect.

In the piece *Taiko*, by Scott R. Harding, a group of percussionists were on stage wearing strips of cloth tied around their heads, one of the percussionists was shirtless and red lights were shining on the stage.

The mood was set up to be that of a tribal nature. The piece had steady drum beats followed by more intense drumming and cries from the percussionists.

"It was very meaty," said Brooke McGee, a senior Math Education major from Linden. "It lacked all the frilly stuff - it

got to the basis of human nature."

The ensemble also performed *Chromatic Fantasy* for Solo Marimba and Percussion, composed by Scott Roberts, assistant professor of Music at UTM.

The piece was a very dramatic piece with subtle tones. The music got louder as the song progressed. Timothy Fritz performed a great solo on the marimba.

"I thought the piece was awesome! It was fun to listen to and I think the audience's reaction said it all," said Shenika Turner, a senior Music Education major from Humboldt.

Fritz was also able to student conduct *Crown of Thorns*, by David Buxtehude. The piece truly showed the talent of all the percussionists performing. The piece had soft tones with a gentle sound.

"Tim was an awesome conductor," said Lindsay Roberts, a junior Percussion Music Education



GREGORY SIRISING / The Pacer

Timothy Fritz (center) and other members of the Percussion Ensemble perform *Chromatic Fantasy* on Thursday, Nov. 10 in the Harriet Fulton Theatre. The piece is composed by Scott Roberts, an assistant professor of Music at UTM.

major from Lexington. "The theme in the music is the most beautiful thing; it really hits emotionally."

The last piece of the evening brought out the trademark of the

ensemble: a peppy and festive group. As always, the ensemble presented a fun show. With audience participation and a great performance, the ensemble ended with a big bang!

What to do in Martin ...

Friday

- The Foreign Film series continues with *Monsoon Wedding*, a film that "spins a web of family relationships that knit and break during a wedding at a perfect pace." *Monsoon Wedding* will be shown at 7 p.m. in Watkins Auditorium.
- Finding Nemo* is showing at 10 p.m. in Watkins Auditorium. Both the movie and popcorn are free.

Saturday

- Find out who will take the crown this year at the Miss UTM pageant. The pageant will be held at 7 p.m. in the Harriet Fulton Theatre in Fine Arts.

Monday

- Learn about "The North Korean Nuclear Crisis: Problems and Prospects" when Dr. Han Park speaks on the subject as part of the Academic Speaker Series at 7:30 p.m. in Watkins Auditorium.
- See how talented our faculty is by checking out the Faculty Art Exhibit. The exhibit will be displayed in the Fine Arts Gallery until Dec. 4.

Tuesday

- Get in the holiday spirit early by attending a concert of holiday music. A variety of holiday musical selections will be performed by several pianists. The concert will be at 8 p.m. in the Harriet Fulton Theatre in Fine Arts. It is free and open to the public.

Wednesday

- SAC presents *Bend It Like Beckham* at 9 p.m. in Watkins Auditorium. Don't forget about the free popcorn!

Thursday

- See comics Eric Nieves and Steve Byrne when they perform as part of SAC's 909 Comedy Series. The show begins at 9:09 p.m. in Watkins Auditorium. The show is free and open to the public.
- Check out the Student vs Faculty Basketball game and see if youth and skill can overcome age and treachery. Admission is free.

BIG RIVER AUDITIONS

Come and audition for the Tony-award winning musical, *Big River*, at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 16, in the Harriet Fulton Theatre in Fine Arts.

You will need to sign up for an audition time on the door of Fine Arts 208.

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Sinfonia celebrates music, fraternity

Gregory Sirising
Advertising Manager

The brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia presented an evening in celebration of brotherhood and music.

The evening began with the Sigma Psi Choir singing the *Sinfonian Motto*, by Robert A. M. Moss, and *Hail Sinfonia*, by Sir Arthur Sullivan, arranged by Louis Victor Saar.

The choir also sang *Night Shadow Falling*, by Friedrich F. Fleming; *Companions All*, by Walter Rodby; *Serenade to a Girl*, arranged by Robert Rogers; and *Red and Black*, which is a traditional song.

In *Companions All*, the choir celebrated music perfectly in song with, "Let sounds of music fill the air..."

Along with the Sigma Psi Choir of Phi Mu Alpha, many brothers performed instrumental selections. A few professors also performed in the musicale.

In *Sonatina for Clarinet and Piano*, by Malcolm Arnold, Michael Walsh, instructor of music,

played the clarinet with accompaniment by Dr. Elaine Harriss, associate professor of Music, on the piano.

In the second movement of the piece, Walsh played a pleasant, gentle melody with dark tones and sharp piano chords.

The third movement had sharp notes with rapid finger movement on the clarinet.

"The piece was great," said April Collins, a senior Music major from Clarksville. "Professor Walsh performed a very difficult piece. There were a lot of technical difficulties in the third movement, and the tone quality, which was hard to achieve, was awesome throughout the piece."

In *When the Bell in the Lighthouse Rings Ding, Dong* by Alfred Salmon, Steven Westbrook sang magnificently for his first solo vocal performance in Phi Mu Alpha. Lewis Thompson accompanied Westbrook on the piano.

Westbrook has excellent an voice, and the selection he chose truly showcased his singing abilities.

"Steven did an excellent job

singing," said Lewis Thompson, a senior Music major from Jackson. "He's a trumpet player, but he has a great voice for singing."

Gary Nichols truly shined on his selection of *Piano Man*, by Billy Joel. In the piece, Nichols played the harmonica and the piano. He also added great vocals to his performance.

"I enjoyed seeing Gary perform," said Debra Fesmire, a senoir Elementary Education major from Lexington. "It's one of my favorite songs, and he performed it very well. He's very multi-talented."

A lighter side to the musicale came with the performance of *Bipperry No. 7*, by Lowell E. Shaw.

Justin Condron played the trombone with Elijah Ellis playing the bass trombone. The piece was very upbeat and peppy and had a recurring melody.

"Our piece went very well," said Justin Condron, a sophomore Music major from Milan. "I chose it because it was a contrast to the program. *Bipperry No. 7* is a little jazzy and I wanted something to play with my little brother."

er."

Clinton Herron played guitar in *Prelude in E Minor*, by Francisco Tarrega. The piece had a nice, tender melody which Herron played with great talent.

Another faculty performance was by Dr. Kevin Lambert, chair of the Music Department, singing tenor in *Nessun Dorma*, from *Turandot* by Giacomo Puccini.

Dr. Harriss accompanied Lambert on the piano. Lambert had a wide range with his booming, tenor vocals and excellent control with his singing.

The musicale ended with the Sigma Psi Choir singing *A Sinfonia Anthem*, by W. R. Palm and Augustus O. Palm; and *Parting Song*, by Ralph Howard Pendleton, arranged by Rudolph R. Willman. The Sigma Psi Choir was directed by Daniel Spencer.

In the *Parting Song*, the brothers asked for all members of Phi Mu Alpha to come on stage and sing with them for one last song.

The performance was truly touching and showed the audience the close brotherhood they share.



GREGORY SIRISING / The Pacer

The Jazz Band performed many outstanding selections such as *Cry Me a River* for its concert on Monday, Nov. 9, in the Harriet Fulton Theatre. The concert included many brass and percussion instruments, the piano and also a vocal performance. The Jazz Band is directed by Mike Walsh, instructor of Music.

A Man Apart comes together

A Man Apart
R
New Line Cinema
dir. F. Gary Gray

★★★★★ of 5

Sara Cornwell
Staff Writer

A Man Apart begins with workers in Mexico processing cocaine for distribution in the United States. This gives way for the theme for the rest of the movie.

Meanwhile, DEA agents are setting up for a drug bust outside of a secret hideout of a group of Mexican drug leaders known as the Baja Cartel. Agent Sean Vetter, played by Vin Diesel, arrests the head of the Cartel, Men Lucero, played by Geno Silva, and he is sent to prison. Vetter and his partner, Demetrius Hicks, played by Larenz Tate, are part of the DEA's narcotic squad, which is made up of former gang members who are trying to crack down on the drug war on the U.S./Mexican border.

Vetter and his wife, Stacy, played by Jacqueline Obradors, are madly in love. Soon after Lucero is imprisoned, there is an attack on the Vetter's home by two Mexican men and Stacy is shot and killed. Vetter is now outraged, and finding out who

killed his wife becomes a personal task he must complete.

Vetter visits Lucero in prison and asks him if he had his wife killed, but Lucero says no. Vetter does not believe him.

Now that Lucero is in prison, his drug empire is being wiped out and taken over by a mysterious character, named Diablo, who no one can identify. Vetter and Hicks begin setting up drug deals and posing as dealers in order to figure out who Diablo is. A few of the drug scandals go badly because Vetter begins taking the case personally and causes people harm because he is so enraged about his wife. DEA agents are killed, and Vetter's boss puts him on suspension.

Lucero has Vetter meet him at the prison again, and Lucero tells Vetter that his own wife and son have been killed and he wants to help Vetter. In exchange for the information Lucero will give him, Vetter has to have him transferred to another prison because he claims he is not safe at the prison he is at now. Vetter arranges the transfer and calls some of his gangster friends from his street days to help him find Diablo.



Courtesy of imdb.com

During Lucero's transfer, the vehicle is traveling in is hijacked by his cartel, and he is taken back to Mexico. When Vetter finds out about the escape, he realizes that he has been tricked. He goes to Mexico to inform Lucero that he knows that he created the name Diablo as a scheme and he helps the Mexican police capture him.

The movie ends with Vetter at the cemetery where his wife is buried, coming to terms with her death.

This movie has thrill and romance. It is a good movie for both romantics and people who like action-packed films.

Time-management tips for stressed students

Felicia Truitt
Staff Writer

You managed to survive midterms, and soon, you'll face something even more stressful - finals.

For those who find managing your time a difficult process, here are 10 time-management tips to make your life a little easier.

1). *Planning and Organizing* - Planning and organization are the first steps in developing an action plan to improve the ways in which you manage your time effectively. Planning allows you to prioritize your duties according to if the task is a maintenance task, which is one that, once completed, will leave you in the same position as you were before or a progress task, which is one you believe will help you reach a position which is fundamentally better than the one you are in now. You can get so tied up in maintenance tasks that you will not be able to accomplish your more important progress tasks.

2). *Use a To-Do List* - Although our brains can store enormous amounts of information, we still tend to occasionally forget things. After planning and organ-

izing your tasks, form a To-Do List. Using a To-Do List can construct your daily activities from morning to evening saving you time from remembering what has to be done daily.

3). *Set Goals* - To accomplish the things you want in life you must set goals in order to begin executing your action plan. Goals give your life, and the way you spend your time, direction. Set goals that are specific, measurable, realistic and achievable. How will you know where you are going in life if you do not set a path to travel?

4). *Prioritize* -Determining the priority of your task is closely related to planning and organizing.

5). *Avoid postponing important tasks* - Procrastination is a dead-end street that leads to stress. If you avoid tasks Monday through Thursday, on Friday you will be pulling you hair out trying to get things done. Also, some tasks require more time to complete than you may think. Completing them at the last minute may leave you pressed for time.

6). *Energy Level* - Learn when your body operates the best. Are you a morning person or a late afternoon person?

Try to accomplish as much as possible during the time of day when your body is at its peak.

7). *Do it right the first time* - There's nothing more annoying than performing the same task more than once. If you have a five-page report on human cells, do not turn in three pages on Greek life. You will spend valuable time redoing your assignment.

8). *Avoid Interruptions* - Studying with soft music may be relaxing for some, but avoid interruptions such as televisions, telephones, visitors and loud music.

9). *Learn to say "No"* - It's all right to say "No." As a college student you have daily commitments to keep. Don't overbook yourself with commitments.

10). *Reward yourself* - When is the last time you've done something nice to reward yourself for working hard to accomplish your goals? Promise yourself a treat for accomplishing a goal, and stick to it. Good luck!

For more information on time-management, check out *Getting Things Done: The A, B, C's of Time Management* by Edwin C. Bliss from the Paul Meek Library, or visit www.gmu.edu/gmu/person-

Reality TV: trend or trash?

Rebecca Paschall
Special Projects Editor

While many people are still glued to the television watching the reality of others, one can't help but to wonder, is reality TV a successful new trend or a fad that will just fade away?

Reality TV primarily started with *The Real World* in 1992. MTV's idea to air the trials and tribulations of people's lives turned into a phenomenon that no one expected. While *The Real World* was actually the first successful reality TV show, many people consider *Survivor* to be the beginning of this trend.

Survivor is based on human competition on a deserted island with a large cast who have very conflicting personalities. During its run, *Survivor* was the second

most watched show in it's time slot, said realitynews.com.

After *Survivor*, a whirlwind of other reality shows, including *Temptation Island*, *The Bachelor*, *Joe Millionaire*, *American Idol* and many more hit prime time television.

The newest reality TV show list includes the *Average Joe* and *Rich Girls*. *Average Joe* is a story about an ex-NFL cheerleader/model who gets her pick between 16 "average Joes." Even though the show is just in it's third week, the beautiful bachelorette has already shown a side of shallowness. After professing to one of the contestants that "inner beauty is really what matters," she proceeds to eliminate all six of the least attractive and most overweight men.

Rich Girls is based on Tommy Hilfiger's daughter and her

friend. The whole story is based around the trials and tribulations of these two rich girls who seem to have so many problems. However, many of the problems on the show so far have revolved around what to buy and boyfriend issues.

As reality TV continues to rise with similar themes and cheesy plot lines, the question of trend or fad comes up.

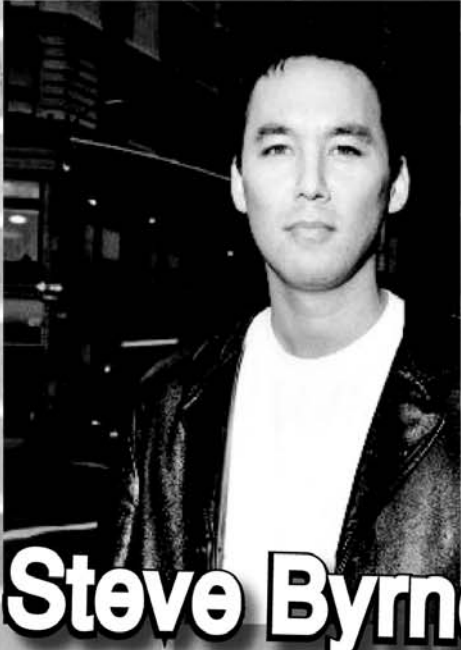

If reality TV is in fact just a fad, then the demise of it should happen just as it did with Beanie Babies, Cabbage Patch Kids, and the Rubiks Cube.

But as long as ratings continue to rise, new reality TV shows will be produced.

So, until there is a definite answer to the trend or fad question, information on reality TV can be found at <http://www.realitynews.com>.

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SPORTS

'Hawks end season 2-10

UTM ends season in loss against rival MSU

Amy Eddings
Associate News Editor

After a hard fought battle, the UTM Skyhawks ended their 2003 season with a disappointing loss to the Murray State Racers, 41-27.

Things started out looking optimistic for the Skyhawks when quarterback Brady Wahlberg ran in a touchdown with:51 left in the first quarter. The successful point after touchdown gave the Skyhawks the lead, 7-0. But the Racers struck back early in the second with a touchdown by wide receiver Deandre Green. The extra point attempt was blocked by defensive end John Gray, keeping UTM ahead by one point.

On the next drive, after a 42 yard kickoff return by tailback Justin Glover, the Skyhawks scored again on a 53 yard rush by wide receiver Blake Butler. The two point conversion attempt was unsuccessful, putting the score at 13-6.

Once again, the Racers came right back and scored on a 65 yard, four play drive. The touchdown by running back Ulysses Odoms and the extra point by kicker Jesse Ohliger tied the score at 13-13.

With 25 seconds left in the second quarter, Racer kicker Ohliger missed a 31-yard field goal attempt, keeping the score tied going into the second half.

Early in the third quarter, freshman Skyhawk corner back Jack Greenwood intercepted a pass by Racer QB Stephen Hatchell, giving UTM the ball on their own 40 yard line. After a 10 yard pass interference penalty against Murray State, Wahlberg completed a 46 yard pass to Justin Glover for the touchdown.

The extra point gave UTM the lead 20-13.

But, four plays later, Murray came back on a 46 yard rush by running back Ron Lane and a successful kick attempt to tie the score again at 20-20.

With 4:46 left in the third quarter, Murray got their first lead of the game, scoring on a 34-yard pass to wide receiver Andrew Nowacki and an extra point by Ohliger. The quarter ended with the Racers up 27-20.

Three drives into the fourth, Murray scored after linebacker Patrick Schultz recovered a fumble by Wahlberg. The TD by Lane and the extra point brought the MSU lead to 34-20.

The Racers yet again increased their lead, scoring six plays after linebacker Bobby Sanders intercepted a pass by Wahlberg. The point after touchdown made the score 41-20 with 4:22 left in the game.

The Skyhawks had a last minute impressive drive of 15 plays that led to Butler scoring with 12 seconds left on the clock. The extra point came with no time left on the clock, bringing the final score to 27-41.

"The turnovers killed us," said head coach Matt Griffin. "Brady was awesome early in the game, but we had a couple of receivers not on the right page."

Overall, the Skyhawks only had 50 yards rushing to the Racers 335. They did, however, have 284 passing yards compared to Murray's 175. UTM also had seven penalties for a total of 126 yards. Sophomore defensive back Chad McMahan got his fifth interception on the season.

The three and a half hour game was the last for seven senior Skyhawks: offensive lineman Lee Lawrence, wide receiver



"I've lived every week of the past four years for either Thursday night or Saturday afternoon."

- Michael Jackson
Sr. Offensive Lineman

Damien Harris, defensive back Mikie Patton, linebacker Jordan Hankins, offensive lineman Marshall Romero, defensive end John Gray and offensive lineman Michael Jackson.

"I hate that it's over," said an emotional Jackson. "I've lived every week of the past four years for either Thursday night or Saturday afternoon."

Coach Griffin complimented the seniors saying that "he hated to see them go out on a loss" and

he was "proud of each of their efforts."

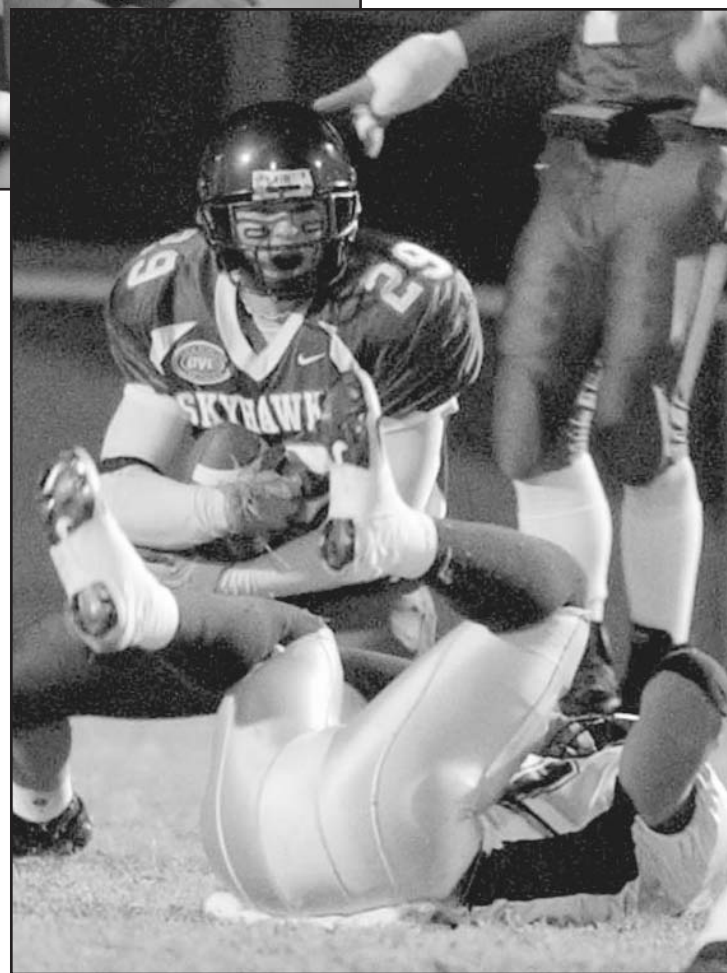
The Skyhawks end their season with a 2-10 record for the second year in a row. When asked about next season, Griffin was very excited.

"We have freshman who played hard and played well. We're going to build around them," said Griffin. "I can't wait for tomorrow. We're never going to stop working for that championship ring."

Left: John Gray, a senior defensive end from Danville, Ky., attempts to subdue a Murray State offensive player. Gray played his last game in a Skyhawk jersey.

Below: Chad McMahan, a sophomore defensive back from Batesville, Miss., intercepts the ball for the fifth time this season, during the Skyhawks 41-27 loss to Murray State. The Racers, an OVC rival, beat the 'Hawks in their last game of the 2003 season.

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UNIVERSITY RELATIONS



Skyhawks fail to come from behind, lose OVC match to Colonels

UTM came up short as it tried to use that come-from-behind magic against Eastern Kentucky last Saturday afternoon in an OVC football matchup. Host ECU claimed a 41-32 win by taking advantage of 14 unanswered third quarter points.

Trailing 27-16 going into the final quarter, the Skyhawks capped off a 63-yard drive with a 39-yard touchdown run by sophomore quarterback Brady Wahlberg. The seven-play drive cut ECU's, 34-32, lead to two points with just 2:24 to play in the game.

The Skyhawks two-point conversion attempt failed, and the Skyhawks tried the onside kick, but kicker J.T. Batson's squib kick didn't go the required 10 yards. ECU set up shop on the Skyhawks' 38 yard line and used six plays to secure the OVC win and stay in the hunt for the conference title.

C.J. Hudson scored on a 17-yard run

for the Colonels and Adam Smith added the PAT.

The Skyhawks had 18 seconds to answer but it wasn't enough.

ECU's Matt Guice gave the Colonels a 34-23 lead with a 14-yard pass to Andre Ralston. It was the second of two scoring strikes for the tandem in the game.

The Skyhawks used freshman Ben Harrison's 1-yard TD to begin their rally with 14:09 to play in the game. An 11-yard halfback pass from Glover to Taurean Stephens set up the score.

Although ECU put up 14 unanswered points in the third quarter, the Skyhawks established the 85-yard scoring drive that utilized both the running and passing games with four minutes left in the third quarter.

The Skyhawks outscored ECU 16-14 in the final period of play, but the magic that worked earlier this season against Tennessee Tech wasn't enough to knock

off the perennial OVC power. ECU now leads the all-time series against UTM 15-0.

The Skyhawks used an equal mix of run and pass against ECU, churning out 154 net yards of rushing and relying on 200 yards of passing from Wahlberg. The Skyhawks rattled off 85 offensive plays in the game compared to ECU's 66.

Wahlberg led the rushing attack with 21 carries for 109 yards and he completed 13 of 29 passes for 212 yards. Freshman Taurean Stephens hauled in eight catches for 120 yards and a touchdown. Freshman tight end Cole Duncan had four catches for 64 yards.

Defensively, the Skyhawks were led by Russell Gambrell and Zach Kleinfelder with eight tackles each. Chad McMahan picked off one ECU pass.

Guice threw for 270 yards and two TDs for ECU as he completed 14-of-29

passes, but the Colonels' running game was stymied. After having two backs rush for 100 or more yards in the past two games, UTM limited ECU to 194 rushing yards. C.J. Hudson led the effort with 13 carries for 87 yards.

Along with the time of possession, the Skyhawks dominated all first-half stats. They had 13 first downs compared to ECU's five. They also rushed for 57 yards compared to ECU's 19 yards.

The biggest difference in the first-half stat sheet was in the total number of offense plays. The Skyhawks had two offensive plays for every one ECU play.

ECU's Guice picked up half of his first-half passing yardage when he found Andre Ralston open for a 65-yard touchdown pass. The TD strike cut the Skyhawks' lead to three, 16-13 with 2:20 to play in the first half.

The Skyhawks continued to dominate the time of possession and used its run-

ning attack to take a 16-6 lead as Justin Glover scored on a 2-yard run with 4:30 to play in the second quarter. The Skyhawks used 4:30 on the clock and marched 65 yards on 11 plays for the score.

ECU cut into the lead with a 32-yard field goal by Adam Smith.

Duncan grabbed two first-half passes for 44 yards, but his special team play resulted in points on the board for the Skyhawks. Duncan was responsible for making a tackle in the end zone on a bad ECU snap.

With the safety, the first since 2001, the Skyhawks led 9-3 with 6:25 to play in the first quarter.

The Skyhawks rallied from a 3-0 deficit in the first quarter when Wahlberg hooked up with Taurean Stephens for a 15-yard touchdown. The TD strike capped off a nine-play drive that covered 67 yards in 3:05.

SPORTS BRIEFLY

SHAPE Club to sponsor running clinic for upcoming 2003 Turkey Trot Run

Kimberly Van Winkle
S.H.A.P.E. Correspondent

As Thanksgiving time rolls around each year, Campus Recreation prepares for the Turkey Trot.

The Turkey Trot is a running and/or walking event approximately three miles in length and set for 4 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the Elam Center.

To encourage more students to participate and to promote running for fitness, the SHAPE club is holding a running clinic on at 4 p.m. on Nov. 18. The event is free for students and faculty. The clinic will begin at the main entrance to the Elam Center. It will last approximately one hour.

In the first half of the clinic, topics such as warm-up, stretching, proper clothing, nutrition, and running form will be discussed. The second half will be a group run of the Turkey Trot



course. Participants will run/walk in groups based on ability. Each group will be lead by a SHAPE club member. During this time, participants will be encouraged to ask their leader any further questions they have concerning running.

In the event of rain, the first half of the clinic will be held inside the Elam Center entrance.

A club member will lead any runners who still wish to weather the weather.

The clinic is a free service of the SHAPE club, the student-led organization for Health and Human Performance majors. For those that are interested in getting involved and gaining professional experience, send an e-mail to utmshapeclub@yahoo.com.



UT Martin Sports Schedule

Nov. 14 - Nov. 20

Friday, Nov. 14

• Volleyball vs. Eastern Illinois, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 15

• Volleyball vs. SEMO, 2 p.m.
• Womens' Basketball vs. NWBL Elite, 4 p.m.
• Mens' Basketball vs. Sports Reach, 6 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 17

• Mens' Basketball @ Guardians Classic (Mon-Tue)

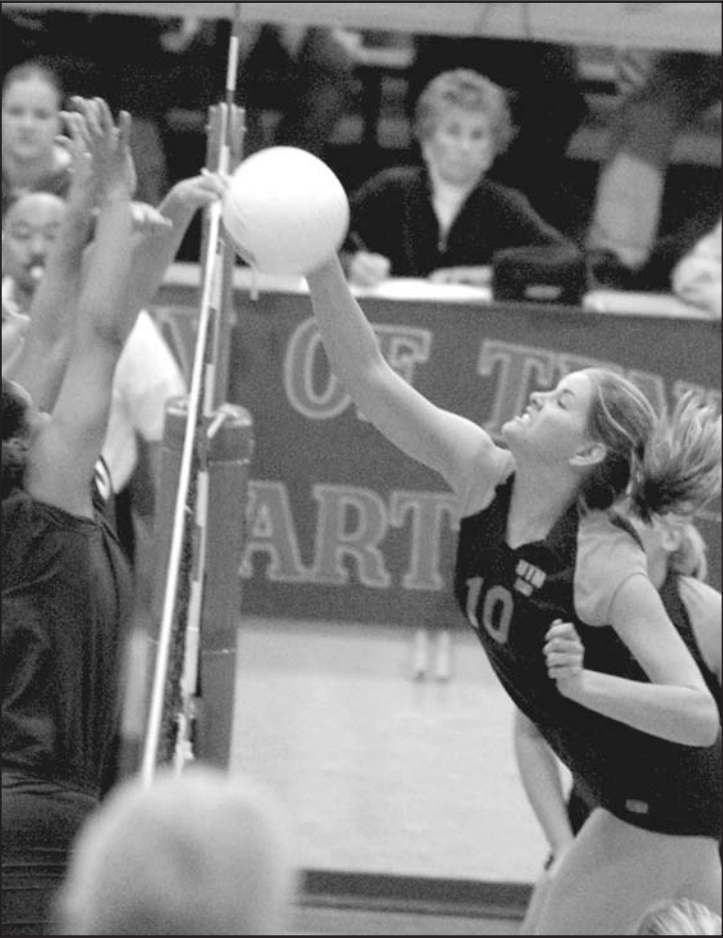
Tuesday, Nov. 18

• Womens' Basketball vs. Lambuth, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 20

• Rodeo @ Murray State, 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball ends eight-game losing streak in home win



UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Senior Jamie Fitzwater defends the volleyball net against OVC foe Tennessee State on Saturday. The women broke their eight game losing streak against the visiting Tigers and improves to an overall record of 6-24.

Jeff Graves
Staff Writer

On Saturday, Nov. 8, the Skyhawk volleyball team finally broke an eight game losing streak by defeating OVC foe, the Tennessee State University Tigers.

This win puts the Skyhawks at a 6-24 record overall and moves them to 4-10 record in the conference. This defeat puts the Tigers at 7-22 overall while making them 1-12 in the conference.

The Skyhawks defeated TSU 3-1 to end their losing streak. The Skyhawks were led by seniors Heather Kea and Jamie Fitzwater.

Kea led the team offensively with 19 kills and 16 digs while Fitzwater had 16 kills and 20 digs. This gave them both double-doubles.

Sophomore Rebecca Palmer added 14 kills and 15 digs, and freshman Tammy Konitzer had 1 kills and 15 digs. This left the Skyhawks with four players having double-doubles in the game.

The TSU Tigers were led by Jennifer Coral who finished the day with 22 kills and 10 digs.

Because many of the players had little or no experience at the collegiate level, the Skyhawks have struggled with consistency this year.

"I don't care how we got the

win, it is just nice to pull it out," said head coach Chris Rushing.

"We had some inexperience on the floor, but it will be exciting for the future as we become stronger and smarter."

The Skyhawks look to return all but three players next year.

"With us having four players with double-doubles and barely pulling out the win shows how well TSU played," said Rushing,

"In the six years I have been here this is the best TSU team I have seen."

As of right now, the Skyhawks sit in 10th place in the OVC standings with two conference match-ups left.

They will take on Eastern Illinois at 7 p.m. tonight in the Fieldhouse. Eastern Illinois sits at 5-9 in the conference. This makes them one place above the

Skyhawks.

The Skyhawks will finish their regular season when they play Southeast Missouri State at 2 p.m. tomorrow in the Fieldhouse. SEMO sits at fourth place in the conference with a record of 10-4 in the conference.

Come out and support the Skyhawks as they close out their regular season with two home matches this weekend.

Have nothing planned for tonight?
Head over to Elam Center for MBA

Jeff Graves
Staff Writer

If someone is looking for something to do on Friday nights, here's one idea - the fall Midnight Basketball Association (MBA) will start up on tonight in the Elam Center.

Play will be from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. and is free to students. MBA will have only two dates in the fall. They are tonight and next Friday.

The season was scheduled to kick off last week, but because of the Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats, the start date was pushed back a week. The MBA is

a longstanding tradition at UTM since its inception several years ago. Though there are only two dates in the fall, MBA will have more dates for the spring semester. It will run from Jan. 16 to Feb. 27, but it will not take place on Feb. 20 because of the UTM All-Nighter.

There will be several different times where the MBA will have special events like music, food, drinks and ping-pong.

Basketball intramurals have always been big on campus, but the MBA has helped to boost the numbers with 200 to 300 people playing basketball on Fridays.

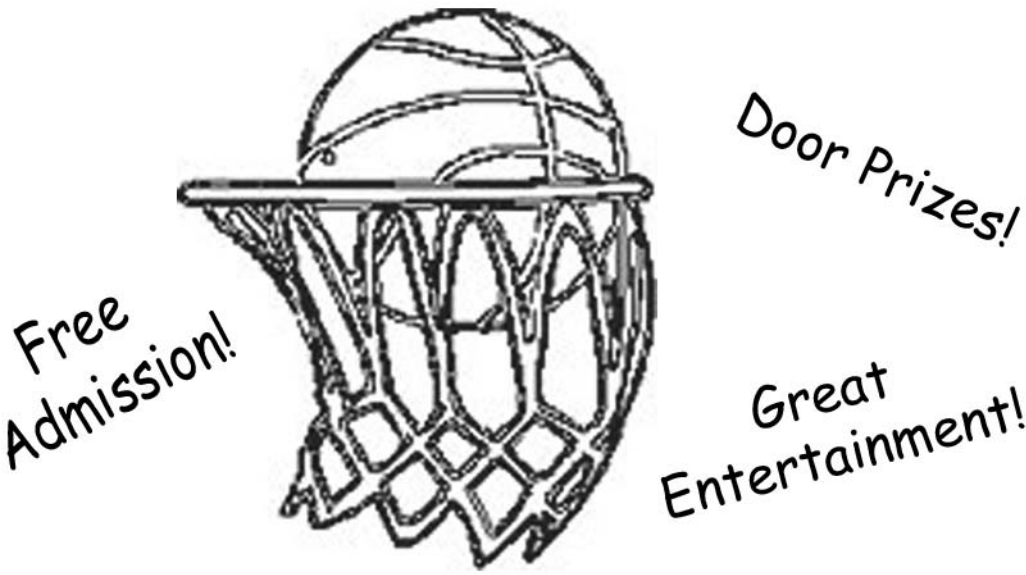
This program has also helped to build the intramural program

by allowing people to play against each other without it counting in the standings. It also helps to develop friendly rivalries between different teams.

"I expect that it will be a good time and give people something to do on Friday nights," said intramural director Eric Simmons. "And if people are looking for something to do on the weekends, then this is a good start."

So if another Friday night rolls around, still complaining that there's nothing to do, check out the MBA. One may never have another boring Friday night in Martin.

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old age and treachery?



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Chancellor Nick Dunagan
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6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17, 316 Gooch Hall

Parking: Continued from cover

available for use. The analysis also shows that between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m. that the average number of spaces being used are 82 out of 84.

When questioned on this issue, Dr. Katie High explained that she was not present at this meeting and has yet to be informed of the resolution. However High did say that she “recommends that all of the senators conduct research before submitting resolutions to be voted on.”

When asked about the proposal, Asst. Director of Public Safety Steve Jahr explained that he is

aware of the problems expressed by some students about the commuter parking on the east side of the university, but in his opinion since the additions of the commuter parking lot behind the water plant that “commuter parking on the east side is better than it has ever been.” In addition he explained that the Cooper Hall parking lot has been staying full to capacity at this time and if lot 12 was made available to commuters that it would force the Cooper Hall overflow to park in the unrestricted parking behind the water plant that the com-

SGA Forum: Continued from cover

discussion by asking those in attendance what SGA should be doing what SGA should be doing.

Evans said, “We don’t see enough of SGA ... it doesn’t seem like you’re doing very much,” but that it “surprised [her] to get an e-mail from SGA” about the Harbor resolution over the campus listserv. Ogg said that information on all future bills pertaining to student life will be sent out to students via e-mail. Suggestions were made on how

to gather student input, from making more students aware that Senate meetings are open to the public to actually opening the floor to the public during Senate meetings.

Sen. Jacob Crouch said he felt that the most effective way of doing one’s job as SGA senator is to speak “man to man” with students, adding, “You’ve got to be willing and able to do your job. You’ve got to be thinking, ‘SGA.’”

there is too far. Jahr showed on the aerial map of the university that in fact that lot is closer that some of the others in which he receives no complaint. “It’s a matter of perception because the students have to walk across the street. They believe that it is further away when in fact it is not,” said Jahr.

Chancellor Nick Dunagan said that he has not been formally informed of the resolution He stated that the matter will be look in to and the appropriate action will be taken by the university.

muters use. He asked, “What would really have been accomplished then?”

Jahr went on to explain the complexities of parking here at the university and that every two years or so the department of public safety has an analysis of the parking situation conducted on campus. In the past changes have been made. Jahr explained that the parking lot most complained about on campus is the lot across the street from the Administration Building. Students complain that the distance that they have to walk from

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